about him, and I thought that he was a reputable man.

Q.—He was mentioned to you by Mr. Lauterbach?
A.—yes. Mr. Lauterbach told me that Mr. Platt would like to have—first, he wanted me to appoint Mr. Dutcher. I knew Mr. Dutcher very well and knew he was a competent man, and I would have been delighted to have appointed him, but he would not accept the office.

Q.—And you looked upon Mr. Platt as a man authorized to speak for the Republican party in a bipartisan matter? A.—Not in a bipartisan matter, I thought he was the bess of the Republican party. Whatever he said they all agreed to. When he took snuff they sneezed. (Laughter.)

Q.—Do you consider that is implied in the functions of a boss? A.—I do not mean that as anything offensive. I do not mean it in an offensive sense. I have a very high regard for Mr. Platt.

Q.—I only wanted to get your statement of the matter—how you were influenced to act. Do you consider that is the condition in a political party between the members of the party and the boss, as you call him, that they must move when he moves? A.—I think it is a perfectly proper way. He is the most potential man in the Republican party in the city of New-York.

Q.—In the same way Mr. Croker is in your organization? A.—The same way that he is in Manhattan and The Bronx.

Q.—And you looked upon him as the man to listen to when you had to consider the Republican side? A.—No, not when I had to consider the Republican side? A.—Because I found out. Mr. Lauter-back and and to do the party and the publican and the man and t

publican side.

Q-Why? A.—Because I found out. Mr. Lauter-bach came and told me that Mr. Platt would like to have me appoint Mr. Dutcher, and Mr. Dutcher would not take it. I said that I would be de-lighted to appoint Mr. Dutcher.

LETS THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG.

Do you mean to say that your appointment made after hearing what the leader of your organization had to say? A.-I only say that I picked out the Republican-that I had to consider them en. I had to have a machine man; not one of ese Mugwump fellows who would desert them soon as a cloud came over. I took the trouble look it up and see if Mr. Hess would stand by

by it.
Q.—When they retired McCullagh? A.—No; I
don't think they did then.
Q.—And when they made Mr. Devery Chief? A.—
When they retired McCullagh they hurt the Republican organization.

Q.—That is what you meant to accomplish? A.—

No. I meant to get rid of what I considered an incompetent man.

Q.—How does that agree with your declaration—

A Intervalue. I would

incompetent man.

Q.—How does that agree with your declaration—
A (Interposing).—I would not have appointed them
if I did not think they were all right; so I appointed Mr. Murray, and—what is the name of
this Alderman that I made an Aqueduct Commissioner?—those two gentlemen were appointed because Mr. Quigg recommended them.

Q.—Come back to your own appointment of the
Commissioners representing the Democratic party.
Didn't you consider that appointment with the
leader? A.—They all talked with me.

Q.—Didn't you make those two appointments in
conformity with the wishes of the organization, as
you understood it? A.—No. I made every appointment myself. If they did not suit me I would
not have appointed them, I tell you that, for no
one.

not have appointed them, I tell you that, for no one.

Q.—Why did you defer more to the Republican organization in the appointment of Police Commissioners than you did to your own organization. I knew who were good men upon my own side, or men who were good men upon my own side, or men who were on my side.

The Chairman—Did you make the statement that was read to-day? A.—I made that statement that was read to-day? A.—I made that statement that was read over. I wrote it down, and I repeated it.

Q.—And the immediate cause of that was the action which you took to have Mr. McCullagh removed and have Mr. Devery appointed? A.—No. The fact that he told me that he did not know the political complexion of the party who appointed him only went to prove to me that he was a liar.

Mr. Moss—You call a man a liar because he says he does not know the politics of the officer under him? A.—No; I think he did know.

Q.—Do you think it is his husiness to know? A.—No; only it shows that somebody is telling an untruth.

-Did you make a contribution to the funds of our organization at the last election-the funds of the Tammany or Democratic organization? A --

Q.-To the Gubernatorial election? A.-Not

Q.—To the Gubernatorial election? A.—Not a penny.
Q.—Do you know that contributions were made by officers of the government? A.—Not that I know of.
Q.—Did you make any contribution at the time you were running for Mayor? A.—Not a dollar.
Q.—Was any made for you? A.—I say not a dollar. I correct that, I did spend less than \$300 or \$400. It is all in the statement I filed,
Q.—Was not anything paid for you by your friends—was not money given to you for that purpose? A.—Not a dollar was given to me. I never took a penny from a living soul.
Q.—Was no money paid for you or by you prior to your nomination? A.—Not a cent.
Q.—Nothing in connection with the nomination at all? A.—Not a dollar on earth.
Q.—Was any money paid by you at the time you were nominated for Julge of the City Court? A.—Yes.
Q.—How much was that? A.—Leannet recollect.

were nominated for Judge of the City Court? A.—Yes.
Q.—How much was that? A.—I cannot recollect. The statement that I filed in the County Clerk's office will show. It is all in my statement,
Q.—Was not money paid by friends of yours outside the statement prior to election and in connection with the nomination? A.—No. I was renominated at that time.
Q.—The original nomination, then? A.—You go back to the original nomination; you know then that law was not in force about filing certificates. I did pay an assessment there, and so I did the second time, but I don't remember what the second vas; but I spent a good deal of money in the first race; I had a hard race, and I believed in the power of the press, and I spent about \$5,000 among the newspapers.
Q.—I hd you spend it yourself or give it to the organization? A.—I put cards in the newspapers.
Q.—I am speaking about giving a contribution to the organization. A.—I did give to the organization, but I don't recollect; I think \$3,500 is my recollection.
Q.—Thirty-five hundred dollars was what you

Think M. don't resolvent thank M. So is my recollection.

Q.—Thirty-five hundred dollars was what you gave to the organization? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Was that before your nomination? A.—No, sir. A long while after.

Q.—Wasn't your money given before you were nominated? A.—No, sir. I suppose nobody knew that I was to be nominated until about fifteen minutes before I was nominated. No man was more surprised than I was.

Q.—Then after the nomination—— A.—I made the contribution. BAD LAPSE OF MEMORY.

Q .- To whom was that given? A .- To the treas-

urer, I presume; I don't remember, though. O -Was it in a check? A -- That I don't remem Q.-Who was the chairman of the Finance Com-

Q.—Who was the chairman of the Finance Committee? A.—I think it was given to the treasurer.
Q.—To Mr. McQuade? A.—I don't know whether he was treasurer or not.
Q.—Was it not given to Mr. Croker? A.—No, sir, I never gave Mr. Croker anything. Very likely it was by check; there was no secret about it at all.
Q.—What was the assessment the second time? You said you gave money then. A.—I contributed there, but I cannot recollect. That is all on the record. I can't recollect the amount. I know the first time that they did not want an assessment from me. They did not want me to pay anything. It was to be a very hard race, and they said "You have been nominated for the purpose of winning." I said I would not run as a pauper, and I think I contributed \$3,000 or \$4,000. I spent a lot of money outside. I spent about \$5,000 among the newspapers.

Mr. Mosse-I suspend the witness at this point:

papers.
Mr. Moss-I suspend the witness at this point; there are other things on other matters that I want to inquire about.
The Witness-You know that I am a very busy Mr. Moss-That is the reason I called you first The Witness—Are you going to put me back after recess, Mr. Moss?

Mr. Moss—No, not 10-day.

The Witness—You know, to-morrow I have my

Mr. Moss-No. not to-uay.
The Witness-You know, to-morrow I have my Board meetings.
Mr. Moss-You may be free this week.
The Witness-I set aside this day for you; you were kind enough to send me word.
Mr. Moss-I cannot proceed any further to-day with this witness-that is, it would interrupt—
The Chairman—We will consult your accommodation, Mr. Mayor.
Mr. Moss-We always remember you have duties to perform, and that you are the Mayor, and will treat you so.
The Witness-Give me a little notice when you want me. Good day, Mr. Moss. Good day, gentlemen.

SEXTON SHOWS IGNORANCE. YET HE HAS A HIGH RECORD FOR QUICK POLICE TRIALS.

John B. Sexton, sworn. Mr. Moss-You are the Manhattan member of the Police Board, are you? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—And you feel yourself specially charged in the Police Board with the interest of Manhattan Island, do you not? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.-And you are quite familiar with the city have been here many years? A.—Yes, sir. Q.—And know it pretty well, do you not? Q-And know it pretty well, do you not? A.—Yes, sir, Q-Do you know its criminal conditions—make any effort to understand them? A.—Yes, sir, Q-Do you attempt to control the police force with reference to the criminal conditions? A.—I do

with reference to the criminal conditions? A.—I do the best I can.

Q—You consider that in the discharge of your dutes it is your duty to know what is going on?

A.—Yes, sir.

Q—And to see that the police force attend to the condition of crime? A.—Yes, sir.

Q—And that includes, of course, not only matters of prostitution, to which the Mayor referred, but gambling and excise violations? A.—Yes, sir.

Q—Green goods and everything of that kind?

A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Your Board has peculiar charge of the Detective Bureau, has it not? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—In what way? A.—We have got charge of all the bureaus, the Board has.

Q.—Have you any more charge of the Detective Bureau than you have of other bureaus? A.—We take charge of the Detective Bureau than you have of other bureaus? A.—We take charge of the Detective Bureau and Police Headquarters.

Headquarters.
Q—Yes. it has charge of the Headquarters building, but what particular function has the Board with the Detective Bureau? A.—I don't unerstand you.
Q.—Is there such a thing as a Detective Bureau?
L.—Yes, sir.
Q.—Has the Board anything to do with the De-

tective Bureau different from the rest of the uniformed force? A.—I don't think that the Police Board has.

Q.—What is that? A.—I don't think so.

Q.—You don't think so? A.—No, sir.

Q.—Has the Board of Police the power to make sergeants of police upon their own will, without examination? A.—To make sergeants?

Q.—Yes, sergeants of police, without examination? A.—Yes, sir. CHANGED BY THE NEW LAW.

Q.-It can make sergeants of police without ex-amination? A.-I don't know about it now, since the Civil Service law, but heretofore-Q .- You mean the Civil Service law? A .- Yes, sir.

Q.—Had it power on the first of January to make sergeants at will without examination; the first of January of this year? A.—I think they had.

Q.—On what authority? What authority had they to make sergeants that way? A.—We didn't make

any.
Q.-You say they had authority to do it; what authority? A.-What authority?
Q.-Yes. A.-If there was any vacancy in the Board. Board.

Q.-Any vacancy, for sergeants? You think on the first of January the Board of Police had the right to put sergeants in there without examination? A.-Yes, sir.

Q.-Had it the same right in regard to captains?

A. I helicon so.

-And with regard to inspectors? A .- I be-

lleve so.

Q.—And deputy-chiefs? A.—I believe so,
Q.—No necessity of any Civil Service examination? A.—I don't think so.
Q.—And whether there is now or not you don't
know? A.—I believe there is in this new bill that
has been passed.
Q.—You believe there is in the new bill? A.—Yes.
Q.—And that is the first of any such thing in the
Department? A.—I believe so, since I have been
there.

Department? A.—I believe so, since I have been there.

Q.—Has the Board the right to assign officers and transfer them? A.—They make requests of the Chief, and the Chief has that power.

Q.—Hasn't the Board any power to make assignments or transfers? A.—No; that is the Chief's work.

Q.—That is the Chief's work? A.—Don't you know that? You were there.

Q.—Well, this is since my time, and under a different administration; and then it isn't a question of my knowledge, but it is what would be on the record for the Assembly to read. They wouldn't know what I know, only what they read. Have you the power to make detective-sergeants without examination now? A.—I am not sure about it now. I think we did, though, heretofore. I don't believe we made any detective-sergeants since I have been in the Board.

CATECHISM OF POLICE RULES.

CATECHISM OF POLICE RULES. Q.-Have you ever examined the rules and the law with reference to the appointment of officers in the police force? A.—Oh, yes.

Q.—Have you examined the rules and the law with reference to the Detective Bureau? A.—Yes.

with reference to the Detective Bureau? A.—Yes.
Q.—How many policemen are there—patrolmenin your Department? A.—The Greater New-York?
Q.—Yes? A.—I think over 7,300.
Q.—How many captains are there? A.—Eightyone, I believe.
Q.—How many precincts are there in the Borough of Manhattan? A.—Thirty-seven.
Q.—How many? A.—Thirty-seven.
Q.—Thirty-seven? A.—I think that is it; yes.
Q.—How many precincts are there in the Borough of The Bronx? A.—Four, and some substations.

Q.—In the city of New-York? A.—I don't that now.
Q.—How many? A.—I just can't answer.
Q.—How many precincts are there in the greater city? A.—Eighty-one, I guess.
Q.—Ho the greater city, eighty-one? A.—Yes.
Q.—Do you sometimes sit as trial Commissioner in the trial of policemen? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—You have a record for speed in trials, haven't you? A.—Oh, I don't know.
Q.—I saw a statement once that you had tried eighty-one cases in ninety minutes. Was that about right? A.—I guess it was; it is so.
Q.—You are not in the habit of spending more than two hours on a trial day, are you? A.—No, sir.
Q.—And your calendar usually consists of very nearly a hundred cases? A.—Oh, no, sometimes sixty or seventy-five.
Q.—Sixty or seventy-five? A.—Never had a hundred.

ired.
Q.—Never had a hundred? You try sixty or seventy-five cases in two hours? (The witness nodded his head in the affirmative.)
Q.—Sometimes in an hour? (The witness nodded his head in affirmative.)
Q.—Quire often in an hour? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—And sometimes in less than that? A.—Sometimes

times. Q.-How do you try seventy-five cases in les than an hour? A.-I don't know; I can't explain i

Q.-Do you decide most of those cases on the Q.-Some of those cases are cases for neglect of duty? (The witness nodded in the affirmative.) Q.—Some for violations of the rules? (The witness nodded in the affirmative.)
Q.—Some for conduct unbecoming an officer? (The witness nodded in the affirmative.)
Q.—Sometimes for assaults on citizens? A.—Some-

Q.—Sometimes for assaults on citizens: A.—Sometimes.
Q.—And if you lump them all together you can do it as rapidly as that, can you? A.—Yes, sir.
The Chairman—Does the stenographer get these answers?
The Stenographer—Yes, sir.
Q.—Are you familiar with the book of rules? A.—Well, yes.
Q.—You are pretty familiar with it? A.—Yes.
Q.—Do you know what books it is the duty of the Chief of Police to keep? A.—Yes.
Q.—What? A.—Well, he has got five or six different books downstairs, there; I don't know the names.

Q.—You don't know? A.—Not the names of them.
Q.—What are they about? A.—General book, a
complaint book; complaints he receives every day.
Q.—From whom? Citizens? A.—Generally from Do you receive any reports from the police

Q.—Do you receive any reports from the police officers? A.—Oh, yes.
Q.—What reports? A.—Weekly reports from all the different preclinets we receive there.
Q.—Are there any other books, Mr. Sexton, that the Chief keeps? A.—The large book of the Detective Bureau, their complaint book, and he keeps a complaint book, and he may keep one or two others that I don't know.
Q.—Are there any other important books that the Chief keeps that you haven't mentioned? A.—No, sir, not that I know of.
Q.—You don't know of them? A.—Not that I know of.

Q.—You don't know of them? A.—Not that I know of.

Q.—Do you know of any particular records that the Chief of Police is required particularly, specifically to keep by the rules of the Department?

A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—What? A.—Why, he is to keep a record of everything that happens.

Q.—Of course, every officer is to keep a record of everything. But what special books do the rules which you enforce on trial days require the Chief to keep? A.—Well, he don't keep a blotter, I don't suppose.

BOOKS HE NEVER HEARD OF. Q .- No? A .- I think everything is entered up in nis complaint book.

Q.—Let me read them from the rules, a robbery

O.—Let me read them from the take, a rooter, book; A.—That is a complaint book, isn't it?
O.—A record book of orders issued from his office; did you ever look at that? A.—Yes, I have seen it.
Q.—A record of current and incidental expenses of his own office, did you mention those? A.—I didn't

own office, did you mention those? A.—I didn't those.

—A record of suspicious places and the names the keepers thereof in the City of New York iddn't mention that? A.—We get a record of t from the different precincts.

—I am talking about the books the Chief of ice must keep. The list of houses of prostituand assignation, gambling houses, and the nes of the keepers thereof in the City of New k; you didn't mention that? A.—No.

—Uld you know Mr. and Mrs. Joy? A.—Yes, sir.

—Where do they live? A.—I don't know.

—Where did they live? A.—I think Mr. Joy is in long.

Europe.
The Chairman—He says Mr. Joy is in Europe.
Mr. Moss—I understood him.
The Witness—I think so.
Mr. Moss—There are some questions I want to ask you, but I think I will hold them until a little later.
The Chairman—We will take a recess until 2 o'clock. The witnesses subparased will report here at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION. SEXTON REVEALS SLIPSHOD METHODS OF

BOILER INSPECTION. Mr. Moss-Mr. Sexton, will you take the stand? Q.-You have a squad called a boiler squad, haven't you? A.-Yes.
Q.-What are its duties? A.-To look after all

engineers licensed throughout the city. Q.—To look after engineers' licenses, is that all?
L.—And boilers.
Q.—What do they do about boilers? A.—They in-

A.—And boilers.

Q.—What do they do about boilers? A.—They inspect them.

Q.—Do you have a competent engineer in charge of the department to do the inspecting. You don't mean to say that is done by common policemen? A.—No; I believe there is some engineers.

Q.—Some engineers especially employed? Then the testing of boilers is not actually done by policemen, is it? A.—I believe they are engineers that are on the force. That the sergeant, he is an engineer, and he has charge of the department.

an engineer, and he has charge of the department.

Q.—Do you mean to say that the business of issuing licenses to engineers and of examination of steam boilers in this city is committed to uniformed policemen? Is that the fact, or do you have in your employ some competent and specially trained engineers for that purpose? A.—There is a sergeant at the head of that department. He is an engineer, and he has charge of it. He examines all the applicants, I believe.

Q.—He happens to be an engineer; but, supposing you had no sergeant that was an engineer, what would you do then? A.—I suppose we would have to get one then.

Q.—Does this sergeant receive any extra compensation because of his engineering ability? A.—No. Q.—Do you mean to say that all of the steam boilers in the city have to be inspected by the sergeant of police. A.—Oh, no; there is a dozen men under him.

Q.—Policemen or engineers? A.—Policemen, I guess.

guess.

Q.—Policemen? A.—Yes.
Q.—Do you mean to say that all the steam boilers in New-York City have to be inspected and practically licensed by police officers? A.—That are engineers.

Q.—Supposing you didn't have a sufficient number of engineers in the Department, what are the provisions of the law? A.—How was it when you

were there, wasn't it just the same?
Q.—You are not asking me questions; I am asking you? A.—I am telling you.
Q.—Supposing you hadn't a sufficient number of policemen that understood boilers? A.—Then I suppose we would have to get engineers.

REFORM NEEDED HERE. Moss-This is an interesting feature of the law that might as well be mentioned here, not peculiar to this administration, but it has been a feature of the Police law of this city; but this inspection of steam boilers is committed to the unispection of steam boilers is committed to the uniformed force and licenses have to be got. Engineers have to pass examinations under police officers. What their special qualifications for examining engineers and for licensing steam boilers are I have never been able to discover. It seems to me that as we are considering the subject broadly, that this is something that this committee of the Lexislature might well think about. It has led to rumors and charges in all administrations that I have know; anything about, and it is bound to do so, because, however well these men may attempt to perform their duties, it is manifestly impossible that such great interests as are represented in the steam boilers in this city should be thoroughly inspected. It is too much to ask of them.

them.

The Chairman—How many men are there so employed? A.—I think there are about ten or twelve under the sergeant. They don't have any other work to do. They are inspecting boilers all the time.

Mr. Moss—There are at present two police officers connected with that squad that are under indictment and are to be tried on accusation of taking money bribes. A.—They were dismissed from the force. They are not members of the force.

Q.—It is only fair to say that those men have een members of that squad for some years? A. been members of that squad for some yers.

Q.—And that sort of accusation is a very common sort of thing in the city and much talked about among engineers.

The Chairman—These men must have special qualifications to act? A.—Yes.

Mr. Moss—The sergeant is in charge? A.—Yes.
Q.—Who assigns the policemen to the boiler squad? A.—The Chief.

PATROLMEN LIKE THAT JOB. Q .- And of course those men do not have to do the rdinary patrol duty. It is a detail rather looked after, isn't it? A .- I don't know. We have not made any changes in it since I have been there. Q.—But policemen rather like that detail, don't they? A.—Yes, I suppose so.
Q.—They get no extra compensation, do they? A. No.
 Supposing a captain discovers that a house in his precinct is occupied for gambling—what are his duties?
 A. To report it.
 Q. To whom?
 A. To the Chief.
 Q. What other duties has he?
 A.-I suppose he should close it in.

Q.—What other duties has he? A.—I don't know of any others.
Q.—You might have a captain on trial before you accused of neglect of duty with reference to gambling-houses in his precinct. What would you hold him to an accountability for? What would you hold him to an accountability for? What would you hove mentioned? A.—No, I don't think so.
Q.—You think that is all? A.—I think so; yes.
Q.—Have captains any duty with reference to pawnshops? A.—Well, yes.
Q.—What? A.—I believe they go around once a month and have their men go around and see if pawnshops are properly licensed.
Q.—You believe they have the men go around once a month to see whether they are licensed? A.—Yes.

shal.
Q.—The Mayor's marshal? A.—I am not sure.
Q.—If they have a duty with reference to pawnshops, have they any duty with reference to junkshops? A.—No; I don't know.
Q.—They have no duty? A.—I don't say they have
no duty; I don't know of any.
Q.—Is there any reason why a junkshop should
be under police surveillance? A.—I really don't
snow.

Q.—You don't know that? A.—No.
Q.—Have they any duty with reference to second and furniture stores—yes or no? A.—I don't know RARE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A JUDGE. Q -Of course, as the judge presiding at the trial this force, and being especially interested in ou conceive to be the duties of police officers

whom you may have to try? A.—Yes.

Q.—And whom you try so rapidly, as you have testified? A.—Yes.

Q.—You have no knowledge of any special duties with reference to the pawnshops or junkshops or second-hand furniture stores by the captains? A.—No. I hever had anything like that come up before me. fore me.

Q.—Has it ever occurred to you that stolen property is worked off between junkshops and pawnshops and second-hand furniture stores? A.—At times 1 suppose it is. I never heard of any such

Q-And so your attention must be directed to these matters coverning stealing of property and working it off. Now, with reference to "gambling hat shall go on in any building within their prenat shall go on in any building within their premet used or occupied for the purpose of gambling
r of recording or registering bets, or selling
sols, they must give notice to the owner or lessee
such building that the premises are so occupied
or such purpose, and that it is a misdemeanor,
hat is, send notice to the owners. Do you know
hether they do that? A.—Yes, I have heard of
tree or four cases since I have been there.
Q.—Do you know whether the force, whether the
pitains, do that? A.—Well, that is their duty, to
rif. o it.
Q.—You are there to try them when they do not to their duty? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—Do you know whether they are doing it? A.—
am not sure whether they notify the proprietors r the owners of the houses when they find them

Q.—"If the occupation of use of such apartments shall be continued after the service of such notice, they shall obtain warrants for and cause the arrest of such owner, lessee or occupants for such misdemeanor. This is not to be considered so as to prevent an officer of the law making an arrest if the offence is committed in his presence, and inform the District-Ait: they in each and every case." You did not know that that rule was there, did you? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Why didn't you speak of that when I asked you? A.—I don't know.

Q.—And do you know whether they are doing that? A.—Well, it is their duty to do it.

Q.—Of course? A.—Yes.

Q.—And you are up there to see that they do it? A.—Certainly, and if I found out that they wasn't doing it I would prefer charges against them.

KNOWS OF NO GAMBLING PLACES.

KNOWS OF NO GAMBLING PLACES. Q .- You know that there are gambling places in Yew-York, don't you? A.-No, I do not.
Q.-Never heard of it, did you? A.-Oh, yes, I

New-York, don't you? A.—No, I do not.

Q.—Never heard of it, did you? A.—Oh, yes, I have heard of it.

Q.—What gambling place did you hear of? A.—I can't just recall them now.

A.—Now, think for a minute and tell me what gambling places you have heard of in the city of New-York since you have been a Commissioner?

A.—I can't recall them just now.

Q.—Do the captains report them? A.—Yes,

Q.—They do? A.—Yes,

Q.—You have seen them on the reports? A.—Yes,

Q.—What have you done about it? A.—Alleged gambling-houses;

Q.—Yes, call them alleged, then, and I will ask you the question over again. What alleged gambling-houses have you heard of since you have been a Commissioner? A.—I may have heard of probably a half a dozen.

Q.—Probably a half a dozen.; is that all? A.—I can't recall where they are located.

Q.—Is that all? A.—That is all, yes,

Q.—What have the captains done about those places? A.—I suppose they have closed them up; tried to close them up.

Q.—You suppose they have? A.—Yes,

Q.—How do you know what they have done? Have you talked to them about it? A.—I haven't spoken to the captains about it.

Q.—What did you say to the Chief? A.—I told him it ought to be closed up? A.—I did.

Q.—What did you say to the Chief? A.—I told him it ought to be closed up? A.—I did.

Q.—Which place? A.—I did.

Q.—Which place? A.—I don't recollect.

Q.—You have only mentioned six places? A.—Yes,

Q.—Which one of the six did you tell him? A.—I don't recollect.

Q.—You creating you told him to do it? A.—Certainly.

Q.—Every one of the six? A.—It might have been five or six.

Q.—Do you include poolrooms in with the gambling-houses?

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Q.—Every one of the six? A.—It might have been five or six.
Q.—Do you include poolrooms in with the gambling-houses? A.—Yes.
Q.—Are poolrooms gambling-houses? A.—They gamble there.

DENSE IGNORANCE OF POOLROOMS. Q .- How many poolrooms are there in New-York? A.-I don't know.
Q.-Are there six? A.-I don't know.

Q.—Are there any more than six? A.—I don't now.
Q.—How many alleged poolrooms are there? A.—I don't know. don't know. Q.—Have you reports on that subject? A.—I have, Q.—Have you looked to see? A.—I have looked Q.—Have you looked to see? A.—I have looked to ereports over.

Q.—Have you noticed the accusations in the ewapapers during the last six months or more, you there being poolrooms in New-York? A.—ot particularly, no.

Q.—Have you noticed that the newspapers said liev are receiving a corruption fund in the pool-looms? A.—I noticed that, yes.

Q.—What have you done about that? Have you me anything? A.—I didn't think there was anything in it.

g in it.
-You didn't think there was anything in it? What did you do about the accusations? A .-

Did nothing about it.
Q.—Did nothing at all? A.—No.
Q.—Then you have allowed the accusations concerning poolrooms to go as they have come in the newspapers? Eh? Do you understand me? A.—Yes; certainly I understand you.

Q.—Well, is that what you have done? Here for instance, is a copy of "The New-York Times," under date of April 7, on the first page of the paper: "New-York is wide open, Gambling-houses running in full swing all over the town." And there follows a list of thirty or forty poolrooms, with the numbers, the exact places. Did you see that article? A.—No. I did not.
Q.—Did you ever hear of it? A.—No.
Q.—Never did? A.—No.
Q.—You don't read the papers, do you? A.—Oh, yes.

-You do? A .- Yes. I didn't happen to

Q.—You do? A.—Yes, I didn't happen to see that article.
Q.—You didn't happen to see that, eh? A.—No.
The Chairman—Was the attention of the Chief called to that article?
The Witness—What article?
Mr. Moss—This "Times" article.
The Chairman—That article.
The Witness—The corruption fund?
The Chairman—No, this "Times" article. A.—I don't remember.

READS "THE JOURNAL" DAILY. Q.-I read you from "The Journal." You know The New-York Journal?" A.-Oh, yes. Q.-March 24, 1899. Do you rend that daily? A

Q.-Here is an article with a picture of the

Q.—Here is an article with a picture of the Chief, a good picture in it: "'No Police Bribery, says Chief Devery. He declares the Department knows nothing of the big fund extorted from the poolerooms to kill the Police bill." Did you read that? A.—Yes.

Q.—Then you read in "The Journal," which you read every day, that it was said that pooleroom keepers were paying up. What did you do about it?

A.—I spoke to the Chief about it.

Q.—What did he say? A.—He didn't know anything about it.

Q.—Did you ask him if the poolerooms were running? A.—Yes.

Q.—Let me read you what "The Journal" says, as matter of fact. Here are no assumptions or



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suppositions, but positive statements. "The Journal says: "There are more than three hundred poolrooms in Greater New-York, about two hundred and fifty of which are in Manhattan." Did you read that? A.—Yes.

Q.—Was that a true statement or not? A.—I don't know.
Q.—You don't know? A.—No.
Q.—What did you do to find out? A.—I believe I spoke to the Chief about it, and spoke to the Commissioners about that. I don't recollect that. Q.—'They are all operated in violation of the provisions of the Penal Code against gambling, and the proprietors, clerks and bankers in the room are liable to imprisonment and fine on conviction. Nearly all the rooms are under the control of four syndicates, which have a powerful backing, both political and financial." Do you know anything of the powerful backing of the poolrooms? A.—No, Sir.

HE TOO. KNOWS MAHONEY. Do you know Mr. Mahoney? A .- Yes, sir. Q .- How long have you known him? A-About ifteen or sixteen years. Q.-Were you interested in the Texas company?

Q.-How have you known him? A.-I have Q.—How have you known him for fitteen or sixteen years.
Q.—In what way? A.—Socially.
Q.—Socially? A.—Yes.
Q.—Any business relations? A.—No. str.
Q.—Did you ever give him any money?

Sir. Q.-Ever receive any money from him? A.-No. sir. or.

Q.—How long ago did you see him the last time?
L.—I think I have not seen him for three or four ceeks; I met him on Brondway.
Q.—Did you meet him at the Democratic Club oo? A.—I have seen him there.
Q.—Does he go there occasionally? A.—Once in a chile.

while.
Q.—Is he a member of the club? A.—Yes, sir.
Q.—He is? A.—I don't say yes; I think he is.
Q.—Does he hold any city office? A.—I don't think he does.
Q.—Do you know where his business office is?
A.—No, sir. Q-Do you know where his business office is:
A-No, sir.
Q-Do you know that he has an office in Fortysecond-st., in Eagan's printing house? A-I never
knew that he had one.
Q-Have you ever heard his name connected
with poolroom business? A-I have heard his name
connected with it.
Q-You have heard it? A-Yes, sir, but not lately, not for four or five years.
Q-Have you seen anything consistent in your
attitude as a Police Commissioner in maintaining
friendly relations, while Police Commissioner, with
a man who has been reputed to be so largely connected with poolrooms? Do you see that it is consistent for you to do that? A-Certainly; he is a
friend of mine.
Q-And your official duties with reference to poolrooms, don't lead you— A-I don't think he has

And your official duties with reference to poolms, don't lead you—— A.—I don't think he has
thing to do with poolrooms at all
...Why do you think he has not? A.—Because.
...Did you ever ask him? A.—No.
...Did you ever nquire into it? A.—No.
...Who has to do with poolrooms in the city?
I don't know.
...You know nothing about it? A.—No.
...You know nothing about it? A.—Yes, I
...heard rumors of it.
...Rumors, by whom? A.—I don't know. I can
lots of men.

HE DOES NOT BELIEVE' RUMORS.

Q.-Does it not occur to you, Mr. Sexton, in a matter of this magnitude, when it is charged that the poolrooms are under syndicates and raising large corruption funds, do you not think that you, as Commissioner, ought to be interested in it, and ought to do something about it? A.-I don't believe

why do you not believe them? A.—Because I They are only rumors; you cannot prove of. They are only interest. They are only inc.

—Is it a rumor to see upon the front page of the New-York Times" names of places in large nbers? Is that mere rumor, giving you the construction of the place where you can go and your money on the horses? Is that mere rumor?

—When was that article?

—April 7th. A.—April 7th?

—Yes—Is that mere rumor?

—As Police Commissioner, do you attach any cortaine to an article like that? A.—I don't like.

—When they was the properties of the properties of

mportance to an article like that: A - I don't know.
Q - You don't know? What do you know about it anything? Do you know anything about this subject of poolrooms? A - Only from hearsay.
Q - Why don't yat know? A - You have informed ne of a lot of them.
Q - Of course, it seems to be my business to inform these people about these things. Why don't out know something on your own account? A - h, I don't know.
Q - You don't know why you don't know? A - | O, sir.

No. sir.

Q.—Do you consider it a mere matter of rumor when "The Journal," which has been a supporter of your administration, makes that accusation right under the picture of the Chief which I read to you; is that mere rumor? A.—I don't know right under the picture of the property of the pour is that mere rumor? A.—I don't know to you, is that mere rumor? A.—I don't know about that.

Q.—Does it not occur to you, Mr. Sexton, that this assumption of ignorance on your part about a matter which is known to the whole city is lumiterous? A.—No, if don't occur to me at all.

Q.—It does not? A.—No.

Q.—You have the reputation of being a wide-make man, have you not? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Or knowing things as well as they can be known in this city? A.—Yes, str.

MAKES NO PERSONAL INSPECTION. Q .- And you have gone into houses and places on police business, have you not? A .- Never. Q .- Never? A .- Not on police business, Q -On business connected with your office as

supervisor of police? A.-No. sir. Q.—Have you never been in the Tenderloin resorts? A.—No, sir.
Q.—Not once? A.—Oh, yes; I have been in those blaces, in saloons, in the Tenderloin.
Q.—Yes; and in gardens, like the "Cairo"? A.— No. Q.—Never? A.—I don't believe I had been in any one. I am Police Commissioner; I am not doing

Q.—Never' A.—I don't between the beautiful of the patrol duty.

Q.—To be sure. But even General Sherman did not think it beneath his duty to make the patrols at night to see what the Army was doing. A.—Weil, I don't make them.

Q.—You don't make them? A.—No, sir.

Q.—If you do not make patrols at night to see what the police are doing in the various resorts, what were you doing at No. 247 West Fifty-fourth-st.? A.—When was that?

Q.—Oh, since you have been Police Commissioner.

A.—I never was there.

Q.—Never was there? A.—No, sir.

Q.—What were you doing at No. 153 West Fifty-third-st.? A.—Never was there.

Q.—What are you smiling at? A.—What are you smiling at? I am smiling at? A.—What are you smiling at? I am smiling at you.

Q.—I am not smiling. (Laughter). I see nothing in the question to provoke a smile. A.—You were smiling.

Q .- Have you visited any poker or fare game in the performance of your duties as Commissioner?

Police Department; I will answer I have not. will not answer any more questions.

will not answer any more questions.

Q.—You wont? Why not? A.—Outside of Police
Department, because I don't think that I am here
for any.— You can't ask me any questions outside the Police Department, and I won't answer
them.

Q.—It is your business to know something about
what your force was doing about criminal places;
it is your business to know where they are, and it
is our business to find out what you do know and

what you do not know, and what you are doing as Police Commissioner in places of that character. Do you not realise that it is the duty of a Commissioner of Police to set an example before men in personal conduct? A.—I won't answer that question at all. It has nothing to do with the Police Department, and I won't answer any more questions outside of the Police Department.

Q.—You won't answer? A.—I won't answer any more questions that are outside the Police Department.

Q.—That is in the Police Department. A.—No sir.

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Q.—That is in the Police Department. A.—No, sir.

Q.—Why, are we getting pretty close? A.—No; you are not any closer to me now than when you first began to question me.

Q.—I will get a little closer to you (moving close to the witness), and ask you if you were doing police duty at No. 247 West Fifty-fourth-st.? A.—I won't answer that.

Q.—And whether you were doing police duty at No. 153 West Fifty-third-st.? A.—That has nothing to do with this investigation. I came here to answer questions.

FLAT REFUSAL TO ANSWER

Q.-I am asking you whether you were doing police duty there; were you or were you not? A .-Q.—All right, Mr. Sexton. I read you some more from this article: "There is no secret about their existence and operation. The doors are practically wide open. Business is done six days in the week, from 2 p. m. until about 8 p. m., when the last returns come in from the last two racetracks. The police do not pay the least attention to the pool-rooms, and few, if any, of the rooms have been raided since the close of the legitimate season last year. Each room is connected by telephone, and the results are called off by megaphone, and all places get the winners at the same time. The reports show an average profit of from \$2,000 to \$5,000 a month from many of the poolrooms"—that is, a profit of from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for each room. "In opening a poolroom the backer or proprietor does not have to obtain the personal consent of the police captain in the precinct where the room is to be opened, as was the custom before the Lexow investigation, but the consent and support of a special agent of one of the syndicates has to be obtained. The regular tariff of each room which has to be paid for the betting privilege averages \$100 a week. The disposition of this fund depends entirely upon the discretion of the syndicate." You said you read this article, which shows that each of these rooms puts up \$100 a week. What did you do about it? A.—I spoke to the Chief.

Q.—What did you say to him? A.—We could not get any proof against any of those places.

Q.—You have how many men, do you say, on the force? A.—Seven thousand three hundred.

SEXTON ON HIS DIGNITY. Q .- All right, Mr. Sexton. I read you some more

Q .- And you mean to say the detective and police

ing corruptly and raising a corruption fund? You need not grind your teeth at me. Don' excited. The Chairman—Now, Mr. Sexton, answer the question.

The Witness—Let him treat me properly, and I will answer the question properly. I don't want to be insulted. You have insulted me enough.

Mr. Moss—Answer the question, Mr. Sexton (To the stenographer) Read it, please.

The Stenographer (reading)—"Do you mean to say with a detective and police force in your Department, with you in it, it is not able to get proof against any one of these poolrooms, even when it is charged that they are working corruptly and raising a corruption fund?" A.—I believe they tried to get some, but could not get hold of none of them.

Q.—You believe they tried to get some of them. Which did they try to get? A.—I don't know.

Q.—You are connected with a club upon Columbias-ave., aren't you? A.—Yes.

Q.—What is the name of that club? A.—I don't know.

Q.—The Golden Swan? A.—No. I never heard

know.
Q.—The Golden Swan? A.—No. I never heard
it called the Golden Swan.
Q.—Is it your brother that is up there, or is it
No. 324 Columbus-ave.? A.—Never heard of such a e.

-Where is that club that you are connected up on Columbus-ave.? A.—We have got a with up on Columbus-ave.? A.—We have got a headquarters at No. 430; no club at all. Q.—A headquarters? A.—Yes; 430 Columbus-ave.

WHAT HE CALLS "INVESTIGATION." O.-I will continue with this article as follows: Recently the special collectors of the syndicates became very active and a private interview was held with the proprietor of every poolroom in held with the proprietor of every poolroom in greater New-York. They were told that the betting industry was in danger of being destroyed by bills pending before the Legislature. Special reference was made to the police bills. It goes on further to say that a demand was made upon each poolroom proprietor of \$393, and that the poolroom keepers protested—openly declared that in order to prevent adverse legislation the money should at least be taken from their weekly subscription, and so forth. Did you investigate the statements in that article? A.—Yes.

Q.—How? A.—I spoke to the members about it.
Q.—That is the way you investigated it? A.—Yes.
Q.—Did you know that there was a poolroom over Mr. Wakely's, at Forty-second-st, and Sixthave.? A.—No.
Q.—Did you ever hear of that? You have a great many sporting friends, haven't you? You are interested in sports, aren't you—interested in athletics? A.—Yes.
Q.—And interested in some athletic club, aren't you? A.—A member of the New-York Athletic Club.

Q.—You have a general interest in sporting mat-ters, haven't you? Do you mean to say.—do you want it to go out that you never heard of a pool-room being over Wakely's? A.—I mean to say

that, yes.

Q.-You have been in Vakely's? A.-Yes.
Q.-You pulled the telephone off the wall, didn't you? A.-I don't know.
Q.-You don't know? A.-Never heard of such a thing.
Q.-Never heard of it? A.-I don't believe it, and I don't want you to insult me again. Do you understand that? See? And I won't answer any more questions at all; you have gone far enough.
Q.-Well, that is for you to say, A.-You can get people slitting in this chair and bully them and put all sorts of questions to them you wish. That is a downright falsehood.

HIS FEELINGS OUTRAGED. Q.-I am glad to know that positively? A.-You know very well it is. How dare you ask such questions. Q.-Was it a crime? Have you ever been in Wakely's saloon? A.—Yes.
Q.—You have been in there? A.—Yes.

Q .- You have used the telephone in there? A .-

Q.—You have used the telephone in there? A.—
Never.
Q.—Never? A.—No.
Q.—Never? A.—No.
Q.—Never took the receiver off? A.—Never.
Q.—And you never heard there was a poolroom upstairs? A.—Never.
Q.—Well, let us see. Do you know the "Morning Telegraph"? A.—Do I know it?
Q.—You read it sometimes, don't you? A.—Yes.
Q.—You read it sometimes, don't you? A.—Yes.
Q.—It is a paper that supports your organization. You are an organization man, aren't you? You believe in it, don't you? A.—Yes.
Q.—You believe in Richard Croker and Mr. Carroll and the whole business? A.—Yes.
Q.—And you are representing them in the Police Board aren't you? A.—No. I don't represent them.
Q.—They caused you to be appointed? A.—No. neither one of them caused me to be appointed.
Q.—You are representing the organization there, aren't you? A.—I represent the Police Board.
Q.—You represent the organization, is that right?
A.—I suppose so.
Q.—Tammany Hall, isn't it? You are not ashamed of it? A.—The Democratic party is not Tammany Hall.
Q.—No. why do you hedge on it? A.—I am not

of it? A.—The Democratic party is not Tammany Hall.

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Q.—No, why do you hedge on it? A.—I am not hedging on it.

Q.—No you represent Tammany Hall organization in the Police Board? A.—I suppose so, yes.

Q.—Well, why didn't you say so? After having stated that you read "The Morning Telegraph," and know what is in it, I ask you whether you read the statement that Senator Wolcott lost a large sum of money in a gambling-house. Here it is in "The Morning Telegraph" of May 3, an article entitled, "Ed Wolcott Drops His Roll.—The Colorado Senator largely increases local circulation. Lost his cash at faro, New-York City circulation has been increased by \$12,000 by reason of Senator Ed Wolcott's visit here. He came to New-York last week, and, it is asserted, relaxed to his full satisfaction. A couple of obliging gentlemen in West Forty-third-st., of the name of Johnson and Emery, made a little bank roll for the Senator's entertainment."

So it goes on to tell about the great game which ran in the house of Johnson and Emery, by which Mr. Wolcott dropped his money. Did you ever hear of Johnson and Emery? A.—No. About a year ago I heard it. Are you ashamed of it? A.—Are you?

No, why do you hedge on it? A.—I at

ADMITS KNOWING FRANK FARRELL. Q.-Where? A.-I don't know the number.

Q.—Did you ever hear of any gambling game in Forty-third-st.? A.—No.
Q.—Did you ever hear of any gambling game in Forty-fourth-st.? A.—No. Forty-fourth-st.? A.—No.

Q.—Will you tell me what is there at No. 5 East
Forty-fourth-st.? A.—I don't know.

Q.—You never heard of that? A.—No, never.

Q.—You never heard of that? A.—No, never.
Q.—That is rather a palatial-looking place? A.—
I don't know anything about it: never heard of it.
Q.—Do you know any gambling-houses running in the city of New-York now? A.—I do not.
Q.—Do you know Mr. Frank Farrel!? A.—Yes.
Q.—How long have you known him? A.—About twenty years.
Q.—What is his business? A.—He owns running horses, I believe.
Q.—And he owns a poolroom, does he, or has?
A.—I never knew it.
Q.—Did you ever hear of it? A.—No, sir.
Q.—Never heard that? A.—No, only what I heard you saying.

Q.—Never heard that A.—Nos, only on saying, Q.—Only what you heard me say. That was at No. 54 West Twenty-ninth-st.? A.—Yes, Q.—You recollect the place, don't you? A.—Yes, Q.—Did you ever look at it? A.—Never, Q.—Now, Mr. Sexton, when Mr. McCullagh was Chief of Police you asked him to transfer a certain police officer named McConnell, didn't you? A.—Yes. yes.
Q.—Why did you ask him to do it? A.—You ask
Mr. McCullagh; he will tell you.
Q.—I am asking you why you asked Mr. McCullagh to transfer Mr. McConnell? A.—I refuse to answer the question.
Q.—Would your answer tend to degrade you? A.—No, no.
Q.—Will it tend to convict you of a crime? A.—No, no no. Let Mr. McCullagh tell about it.
Q.—Will you abide by what he says? A.—I don't know.

TELLS MOSS TO KEEP COOL -That is your trick, is it? A .- No. no trick Q .- Don't you think it is a fairer, a squarer as

Q.—You want to have him tell it first so as to what you are to say? A.—Oh, no.

don't think it is a fairer, squarer, more man

thing to-do. Q.-You don't? A .- No. I wasn't brought up Q.—You don't? A.—No, I wasn't brought up that school.
Q.—You want to see what he will say? A.—Ir.
McCullagh isn't on the police force now. I have nothing to say about him.
Q.—Have you anything to say on any score against him as a man? A.—Nothing to say.
Q.—As an honest man? A.—I don't know anything about Mr. McCullagh.
Q.—Don't you know anything about him? A.—Nothis honesty.

his honesty.

Q.—He was Chief of Police under you for son time? A.—I have nothing to say about him.

Q.—Have you nothing to say about it? A.—As Mr. McCullagh.

Q.—I am asking you. A.—Ask Mr. McCullagh.
won't tell. Q.-Well, I don't care whether you will o

Q-Well, I don't care whether you will or not.

A. Well, I won't.

Q-If you take that position, why should you vote to retire Mr. McCullagh? Answer it! A.—Don't shout, Mr. Moss. Keep cool.

Q.—Had you anything against him when you voted to retire him? A.—I won't answer it.

Q.—Were you voting under instructions? A.—I won't answer it.

Q.—Were you voting under the orders of Mr. Carroll? A.—I won't answer it. No, I wasn't. I will answer that.

Q.—Why will you answer that and not the others?

A.—Just because I felt like answering that.

Q.—And that is the way you discharge your public duties—do what you please and leave undone what you please? A.—How did you do it?

Q.—I am asking you? A.—How did you do it?

Q.—I hope you are not setting yourself by me, and I hope you are not setting yourself a much finer example than mine. Your organization was satisfied with what was being done, and you started in to do for yourselves, and I trust you will not copy after us or set your pace by us. Now, what had you against Mr. McCullagh as a man, as a police official, when you voted to retire him? A.—Ask Mr. McCullagh.

WHY HE REMOVED M'CULLAGH.

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Q.-How can he know what you had against him Q.-Mr. Sexton, you had nothing against Mr McCullagh? A .- There is no necessity of shaking your finger at me Q.-Answer the question. A.-Keep cool,

Q.-Mr. Sexton, you knew that Mr. McCullagi was an efficient police officer, didn't you? (He able to get any proof about any one of these pool-

> State and the people of New-York shall take you at your word, that when asked by proper authority, in a proper way, to give your reasons for removing a public servant, that you decline to give your reasons? A.—No; I didn't decline.
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> Q.—Will you give them? A.—I told you ask Mr. McCullagh. Q.—Will you give them? A.—I told you ask Mr. McCullagh? A.—Well, ask him. Q.—Will you give them? I shall ask Mr. McCullagh? A.—Well, ask him. Q.—But you are entitled to give your explanation? A.—You ask Mr. McCullagh.
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> The Chairman—Mr. Sexton, you are on the stand and you ought to make an explanation. You are a public officer and the people ought to know and you should tell all about the performance of your duties as a public officer? I think that is a fair question that you should answer.
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> The Witness—Well, I wanted to make Devery Chief. Devery was my friend, and I wanted to make him Chief of Police, and I retired McCullagh.

lagh.
Q.—You retired McCullagh in order to Devery Chief of Police, who was your frie Yes. Q.-How long had he been your

Q.—And Farrell was his friend and your friend?
A.—I guess so. You were all friends together, isn't that so? A.—Yes.
Q.—Yes, and so you determined that there was
only one way to make a place for Devery, which
was to remove McCullagh? A.—Yes.
Q.—And you want to be perfectly fair, as I
understand you now, and say that you had nothing against McCullagh himself? A.—I won't say
whether I had or not. I am not making a statement about McCullagh. He is out of the Department now. ment now. Q .- If you had no accusation to make against M

McCullagh, either as a police officer or as a man, we give you now a full opportunity to do it? I won't make any. Q.-You won't make any? A.-No; I am that kind. Q.-You are not that kind; what do you mean

Q.—You are not that kind; what do you mean by that? A.—I don't know. If you don't understand it I won't tell you.
Q.—I don't understand it, and I understand the peculiar inflection you put on that word "naw."
That is something I never learned, and I don't understand it? A.—Is that so?
Mr. Moss—Yes.
The Chairman—Mr. Moss, Mr. Sexton has assigned his reasons for removing McCullagh, because he wanted Devery put on, and I think if that is the answer he wants on the record we will let it stand that way.
Mr. Moss—I want Mr. Sexton to state everything that he has to state at this time. And sometimes when a witness thinks a little he can answer further.

The Chairman—Exactly. I have said he can make any statement he wishes.

The Witness-If you act a little more like a gentleman, perhaps I might act better.

Mr. Moss-I am aware my gentlemanly standing is not very high.

is not very high.

Q.—It was about that time you asked Mr. Mc-Cullagh to transfer Mr. McConnell? A.—I guess it was.

Q.—Why did you want Mr. McConnell teams it won? answer that question.

Q.—Would the answer tend to degrade you? A.—No.

No.

Q.—Would it tend to incriminate you? A.—No.
Q.—Was it not because Mr. McConnell had attempted to close the poolroom of your friend, Mr.
Farrell, that you asked the Chief to transfer him?
A (Laughingly).—What an absurd question?
Q.—No. no; answer the question. A.—You know in your heart—
Q.—Answer the question.
The Chairman—One moment, Mr. Moss. Mr. Sexton, you need not go into any argument with counsel.
The Witness—What right has he got to ask such The Witness-What right has he got to ask such

AT LAST HE ANSWERS IT.

The Chairman-He has a right to ask the ques tion, and you can answer it, unless you do not want to go on record. What is the answer? A .-Q.-Did you know that Mr. McConnell had gone

to Mr. Farrell's poolroom? A .- I didn't know that Mr. Farrell had a poolroom, and I didn't know Mr. McConnell, and I wouldn't know him if he came in the door now the door now
Q-You never heard that? A.-I did not know
that Mr. Farrell had a poolroom. I do not know
Mr. McConnell. I would not know him if he came

that Mr. Farrell had a poorson. In the Mr. McConnell. I would not know him if he came in the door now.

Q.—What was it that induced you to interfere in the matter of a poor policeman who was doing his duty and have him transferred? A.—I didn't interfere.

Q.—You asked to have him transferred? A.—I don't recoilect anything about him.

Q.—You don't recoilect speaking to Mr. McCullagh with reference to McConnell—are you really sure about that? A.—I tell you I could not answer that question. You ask McCullagh that question.

Q.—You state now that you don't recoilect. Do you mean that? A.—No. I spoke to him about it, but I don't know McConnell.

Q.—Isn't it a fact that you asked Mr. McCullagh to transfer McConnell? A.—I think I answered that question before.

Q.—You say yes? A.—Yes; I think I did.

Q.—Was it because McConnell was not a good policeman? A.—You ask Mr. McCullagh that question.

Q.—I am asking you. A.—I won't answer that.

GIVES A LAME EXCUSE.

GIVES A LAME EXCUSE. Mr. Moss-Well, for the sake of the record, I

think the Chairman must direct the witness to answer that question.

The Chairman-Read the question to the witness.

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The Chairman-Read the whole of the question and answer.

The Stenographer (reading)—You ask Mr. Mc-Cullagh that, Q.—I am asking you, A.—I won't answer that.

The Chairman-The question that has been asked is whether you asked McCullagh to have McConnell transferred because he was not a good policeman. The committee direct you to answer that question?

A.—I heard some stories about McConnell.

Mr. Moss-What stories did you hear about McConnell? A.—I don't recollect what they were just now.

Mf. Moss-What stories did you hear about more conneil? A.—I don't recoliect what they were just now.

The Chairman-Were they derogatory to Mr. Moconneil's conduct as a policeman? A.—Yes.
Q.—You do not recall what they were? A.—No.
Q.—Continue in a general way: can you state what it was? A.—No; I don't recall it.
Q.—You do not recall what particularly it was, which affected his conduct as an officer? A.—No; I do not.
Q.—Then it was because of those stories that you heard derogatory to his acts as a policeman that you asked for his transfer? A.—Yes.
Q.—That is your recollection of it now? A.—Yes.
Q.—Where was he at the time that you asked for his transfer? A.—I think he was at No. 300 Mulberry-st., with Inspector Brooks.
Q.—Where did you ask to have him transferred to? A.—Out of there. I don't remember any particular place.
Q.—You don't know where he was transferred? A.—No; I don't know where he kas transferred? A.—No; I don't know where he is now.
Q.—Did the transfer of an inefficient officer make him more efficient to have him transferred from one place to another? A.—It might in some cases.
Q.—In what particular did the transferring of McConneil from No. 300 Mulberry-st. to some other precinct rectify any error or make him a better policeman? A.—Well, it might in some cases.
Q.—I must confess that I do not quite understand how that can be so. That is the reason I ask you that question? A.—I am not sure about that.

HIS ORDERS TO McCULLAGH.

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tion about this. In the first week in March, didn' you telephone to McCullagh and ask him if he had